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News of the Day.

"To show the very age and body of the times."

The Chicagoans have blundered upon a discovery of considerable importance to that city. The prairie stone, which exists in large quantities in the immediate vicinity was supposed to contain oil similar to that found in Cannel Coal. An experiment was made to test the theory, and though the chemist failed to find oil, he found a better illuminator. Observing upon a lamp of the retort he applied a match, and found that it burnt with all the brilliancy of the best coal gas. Further experiments established the fact that the stone yields as large a per cent. of gas as the best gas-coal and leaves 50 per cent. of saltpetre and a residuum of excellent lime.

On Wednesday, the 18th inst., will occur one of the most remarkable eclipses of the sun of the present century. It will be visible over the northern part of Africa, the southwestern part of Asia, all Europe, and over the most of North America. Beginning of eclipse fifty-six minutes forty-two seconds past 6 o'clock, A. M. middle of eclipse fifty-four minutes fifty-two seconds, past 7 o'clock, A. M. end of eclipse fifty-three minutes six seconds, past 8 o'clock, A. M. duration fifty-three minutes twenty-four seconds, past 10 o'clock.

The United States district court in Chicago has made the somewhat important decision, according to the Press and Tribune, "that all executions issued in favor of non-residents against a citizen of this State, could be levied on the homestead of the defendant, in spite of the State law to the contrary. The decision is that United States courts are not obliged to take cognizance in all cases of State laws, and that the law of the State where the plaintiff resides is to be taken into consideration in rendering judgment."

The dwelling-house of an old sea captain, in Saybrook, Connecticut, was entered by burglars a few nights since, when no one was in the house but his wife and a couple of infant children. She met them at the door with a revolver in hand, and told them if they advanced one step they were dead men. They looked at her and then fled.

A first class daily paper in such a city as New York, has generally twelve editors and reporters, forty printers, two proof readers, thirteen pressmen, engineers and other employees in the press-room, half a dozen correspondents in Europe, and three regular correspondents in Washington; thirty-five persons in the clerk, wrapping and mailing departments, and about as many more engaged as carriers.

Mrs. Mary O'Sullivan, the mother of our ex-minister at the Portuguese court, John L. O'Sullivan, of New York, has just deceased in Europe. She was not only a most accomplished, but a truly beautiful woman. Her husband was a young man, the U. S. minister to Spain, and subsequently, when she became a widow, Mrs. O'Sullivan resided at Georgetown, D. C.

Pleuro-pneumonia has made its appearance among the cattle in the upper part of the city of N. Y. In some of the stables in the twenty-second ward as many as a dozen head are said to be down with the disease. Consumers of swill milk are taking the alarm, and refuse to have anything to do with the stuff in consequence.

The Atlantic ocean is crossed this year by the largest and the smallest steamers that ever crossed it—the Great Eastern, from England to New York, and the Seth Grosvenor, of only 60 tons, from New York to Liberia. The last named had not yet been heard from, but is probably safe in Monrovia, as the Great Eastern is in New York.

A special dispatch from Washington contradicts the statement that Captain Gibson, the newly converted Mormon had made propositions from his associates to sell out in Utah. Had the offer been made, the President has no power to entertain it, unless to submit the plan for Congressional action.

It would appear, by the latest news from the Pacific, that the Democrats have secured a majority on joint ballot in the Legislature of Oregon and that Mr. Stout, Democrat, is elected to Congress over Mr. Logan, his Republican competitor.

Hon. L. Q. C. Lamar, of Miss, declines a re-election to Congress. He says that he prefers at the close of this term, to give back the trust committed to him, and to retire to a life more genial to his nature and more consistent with his private interests.

In New York on Sunday, night, in 14 wards out of 25, 744 stores were open, classified as follows: Liquor stores 46, lager-beer saloons 117, miscellaneous 581. New York is following the example of New York in this respect.

The arrival of a Japanese man is announced in the San Francisco papers, as one of the passengers by the last vessel from the land of the No-Kamis.

A writer in the Democratic Age publishes an article which goes far to prove that there is some extraordinary curative property in ice when applied to the human skin.

Chili continues her career of peace and prosperity. Congress opened on the 1st of June.

A suit for libel has been brought against the Boston Courier establishment by Hon. John P. Hale. Damages laid at \$10,000.

A steam wagon, from England, is exhibiting in the streets of San Francisco.

THE ASSAULT.—The Washington States of Thursday evening says:—This morning, a respectable-looking girl, calling herself Eliza Jane Williams, apparently about 18 years of age, came to the office of Justice Dism, and made application to be sent to the Infirmary or the Work-house; she had been most horribly beaten, and her face and eyes were black, and so much swollen as to completely disfigure her countenance. Her story was this—that she had been living in Baltimore in service, but getting out of employment, she, with a fellow-servant girl, started yesterday morning on foot to come to Washington. About 5 o'clock in the evening, when they had passed beyond Bladensburg, there were met by three men, or rather two men and a half-grown boy, who attempted to stop them, and when they resisted, knocked them down and beat them. Eliza Williams was beaten senseless, and when she came to herself, her companion was missing, and she has not seen her since. She was picked up by a gentleman who lived near, and who paid her way to the city this morning, when she was brought up to the magistracy's office. The girl is an American, and very neat in her appearance.

Tenth Legion District.

The Valley Star says that a large majority of the Democracy of Rockbridge are in favor of Douglas and Johnson. Our information from Highland and Pendleton is of the same character. In August, the Democracy will give Douglas 12,000 to 15,000 majority. In Shenandoah the Rockbridge ticket has more friends than in any other county in the district.—Valley Democrat.

The Pennsylvania Railroad and the Pottsville Railroad are to be a Consolidation.

Twelve shavers have been captured within the last twelve months, on the coast of Africa, and the coast of Cuba, by U. S. vessels.

Gov. H. S. Foote vaults again upon the political stage, as a supporter of Douglas.

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Political.

A letter in the Richmond Whig, from Buckingham County, on the 9th instant, says:—"The Seceders held a meeting to-day to ratify the nomination of Breckinridge and Lane—but did not ratify—postponing until August. Mr. Charles Irving made a strong speech against the Seceders and in favor of Douglas. He denounced the Seceders as a factious minority, who had quit the Convention on no principle but hatred of Douglas, and who had nominated men less Southern than he. He protested against the arrogant dictation of this factious and unprincipled minority. During the evening, the subject was very much discussed among the sovereigns. The leaders mostly belong to the seceding wing of the party, and probably they will carry a majority of the party with them. But there were some strong and zealous Douglas men on hand. One of them proclaimed that he would bet \$10,000 that seven States could not be named that would vote for Breckinridge, and offered \$500 to any one, who would get his bet taken; but in vain."

A Democratic meeting composed of many leading politicians of New York was held last week, at the Union House, for the purpose of organizing a Central Campaign Committee favorable to the election of Douglas and Johnson. Mayor Wood was present and made a speech, in which he declared that, while he was anxious for a combined Democratic ticket in New York State, he would nevertheless support Douglas with all his might, being convinced that Douglas has a hold on the masses which rendered it impossible for any headway to be made against him.

The Warrenton Whig says that the Douglas men in Fauquier are by no means few or contemptible in point of talent. In Warrenton some of the oldest and most trusted Democratic leaders are for him. Such men as John G. Beckham, Joseph Horner, Wm. H. Gaines, Wm. D. Scott and George W. Jackson, will make themselves felt on election day in a manner that will tell. They believe the Little Giant to be the regular nominee of the party and will stick to him through wet or dry.

The States and Union, a Douglas paper at Washington, has quietly undergone a change in proprietorship. The name of J. P. Heiss, its publisher from its birth, on the advent of the present administration, until this period, no longer appears there. In its stead that of J. S. Holland, a citizen of Washington, is inserted as publisher for the proprietors. It is not published to be the Douglas national committee.

J. R. Crawford an elector on the Pennsylvania Democratic ticket, publishes his reply to the proposed fusion of the State Committee. The letter is brief and pointed, stating that its author can be made a party to no contemplated arrangement, and that, recognizing Douglas and Johnson as the national candidates he will vote for them, and then only. This is the second refusal.

The Philadelphia Argus understands from a reliable source that John G. Brenner, esq., Col. William C. Patterson, P. A. Server, esq., and several other gentlemen on the democratic electoral ticket in Pennsylvania, have already forwarded to Mr. Welsh, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, a pledge in accordance with the resolution adopted by the committee on the 21st instant.

The New York Tribune says that it is authoritatively informed that the Breckinridge committee in New York city have raised with ease all the money they need for the vigorous prosecution of the campaign. They have already made arrangements for a thorough organization of this State, and will at once proceed to prepare for the conflict in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

It is with great pleasure, says the August Chronicle, we announce to our friends everywhere that all the Opposition press of Georgia are supporting John Bell and Edward Everett for President and Vice President. Every day we receive cheering news from all parts of the South that the good work goes bravely on.

As the old Georgia Democratic Association in Washington was lately thoroughly disrupted by the contending Douglas and Breckinridge members, each wing has taken preliminary steps to establish a campaign club, and the one altogether independent of the other.

Hon. Ben. H. Hill, one of the most distinguished men of Georgia, announces his determination to support Bell and Everett. Although approving the platform of the seceding democrats, he says he knows John Bell and has been as true to principles as any man in the United States.

The Central City Courier, the organ of the democratic party in Central New York, has taken down the Douglas and Johnson ticket and run up that of Breckinridge and Lane. It is said that other papers in the State will soon follow the example.

The Administration has at last, it is said, decided not to carry the Douglas war among clerks of the departments. Their heads are to be spared; for the sake of their familiarity with the course of business.

It seems now that Mr. Herschel V. Johnson's antecedents are rather antagonistic to Douglasism. He has committed himself to the "Southern abstraction."

On Thursday, the second day of August next, the people of North Carolina will vote for a Governor and members of the Legislature.

John S. Gallaher esq., a veteran Whig, has been elected Corresponding Secretary of the Union Constitution club, in Washington city.

Mr. Everett's Statesmanship.

A Washington correspondent recalls attention to the fact that the answer of Edward Everett, when the Secretary of State, to France, Spain and England upon the Cuban question, was matchless, and remains unanswered. The Democratic Review hailed that paper as the best that ever appeared from the State Department. Douglas said that if "Everett had done nothing else to render his administration of the State Department illustrious, his name would live in one shining time in that diplomatic letter as one who could appreciate the spirit of the age and perceive the destiny of the nation.—Frost Herald.

SHREVE.—Politicians, and others who have been or are troubled about the Presidential question, will be glad, perhaps surprised, to learn that this "little affair" is settled. The New York Journal of Commerce has the news and announces it in the following delicate way.

JOHN KNOX, the Great Reformer of Scotland.

JOHN WITHERSPOON, D. D., one of the Signers of the Declaration of American Independence.

J. H. BRECKINRIDGE, a member of Jefferson's Cabinet.

J. M. C. BRECKINRIDGE, Vice President of the United States, 1857-61.

J. M. C. BRECKINRIDGE, President of the United States, 1861-65.

[The above is a true record of the genealogy of the next President of the United States.]

WE CAN GIVE IMMEDIATE EMPLOYMENT TO A NUMBER OF WORKMEN ON PEGGED SHOES FOR MEN, WOMEN AND MISSES. We also want several BOYS to learn the business, who can soon make good wages if they are smart and active.

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